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In re the Application of: **Hidetada FUKUSHIMA et al.**

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 1, 2005, Applicants amend the claims as follows and submits the following remarks.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.